IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A recording sheet comprising:

a substrate;

an ink receptive layer placed on the substrate for retaining ink; and

an ink permeable layer placed on a surface of the ink receptive layer, through which the ink permeates to the ink receptive layer, the ink permeable layer comprising a nonionic surfactant and a water-insoluble component including an inorganic filler and a binder; wherein the inorganic filler is silica, and the nonionic surfactant is an amine compound.

2. (Original) The recording sheet according to claim 1, wherein the water-insoluble component comprises the inorganic filler and the binder, and from 3 to 30 parts by weight of the nonionic surfactant is added to 30 parts by weight of the water-insoluble component.

$\int 3.$ (Cancelled)

4. (Original) The recording sheet according to claim 1, wherein the amine component has at least one ether linkage in its structure.

5. (Cancelled)

- 6. (Previously presented) The recording sheet according to claim 1, wherein the binder includes a polyester resin as a main component by weight.
- 7. (Original) The recording sheet according to claim 1, wherein the ink receptive layer comprises a chemical compound having at least one cationic group in its structure.
- 8. (Original) The recording sheet according to claim 7, wherein the chemical compound having the cationic group is a resin having at least one cationic group in its structure.

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- 9. (Original) The recording sheet according to claim 7, wherein the ink receptive layer further comprises a hydrophilic resin which is different from the chemical compound having the cationic group.
- 10. (Original) The recording sheet according to claim 8, wherein the ink receptive layer further comprises a hydrophilic resin which is different from the chemical compound having the cationic group.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The recording sheet according to claim 7, wherein the chemical compound having at least one cationic group in its structure is water-soluble.